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IN RE APPLICATION

Serial Number: 09/475,308
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Confirmation No.: 6190
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENCODING A
PLURALITY OF PRE-DEFINED CODES INTO A
SEARCH KEY AND FOR LOCATING A LONGEST
MATCHING PRE-DEFINED CODE
Filing Date: December 30, 1999
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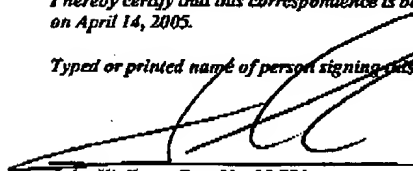
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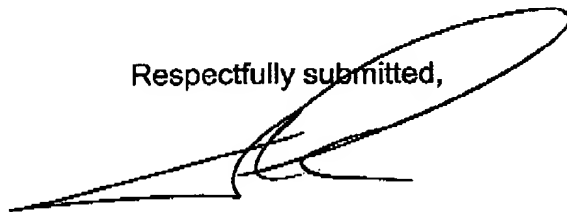

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REQUEST TO RE-APPLY ISSUE FEE

A Notice of Allowance was mailed in the subject case on November 12, 2004 specifying a due date for payment of the issue fee of February 14, 2005. On or about December 16, 2004, Applicant submitted the issue fee. Subsequently, an editorial error was noticed in the claims and a Petition Under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to Withdraw Application From Issue was filed on January 24, 2005. A subsequent Notice of Allowance was mailed on March

16, 2005 specifying a due date for payment of the issue fee of **June 16, 2005**.
Applicant respectfully requests that the issue fee paid on or about December
16, 2004 be re-applied as payment of the issue fee due **June 16, 2005**.

Respectfully submitted,



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